

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-109-82

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: ASSEMBLY BILL 21, PASSED 6/30/82, PAGES 250 - 253: REFUGEE
RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM, FY 1982-83 BUDGET CONTROL LANGUAGE
REFERENCE:

The purpose of this notice is to advise county welfare departments of the provisions contained in the 1982-83 State Budget pertaining to the Refugee Resettlement Program.

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to the Office of Refugee Services, (916) 322-3141.

Sincerely,

R. E. Reich (Hd)

R. E. REICH
Chief Deputy Director

Attachment

cc: CWDA

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2 Schedule:

3	(a) 20.30-Other County Social Serv-	
4	ices	151,965,785
5		151,355,785
6	(b) 20.35-Specialized Adult Services ..	121,413,168
7	(c) 20.40-Specialized Family and Chil-	
8	dren Services	14,679,955
9	(c.1) 20.42-Adoptions	610,000
10	(d) 20.44-Demonstration programs	432,458
11	(e) 20.45-Refugee Assistance Services	23,351,000

12 Provisions:

- 13 1. Provisions 1 and 4 of Item 5180-151-001 are also
- 14 applicable to this Item.
- 15 2. The Department of Social Services shall allow
- 16 counties to claim reimbursement under the Ti-
- 17 tle XX or IV-B programs for respite care for
- 18 specialized foster care home providers.
- 19 3. *The total allocation to county welfare depart-*
- 20 *ments for federal fiscal year 1983 for the delivery*
- 21 *to refugees of social services included in Califor-*
- 22 *nia's Title XX Block Grant Program, including*
- 23 *in-home supportive services, and funded under*
- 24 *the Refugee Resettlement Program, shall not*
- 25 *exceed 35 percent of the total federal allocation*
- 26 *provided to the state for federal fiscal year 1983*
- 27 *for the provision of refugee support services.*
- 28 *Counties which wish to provide other services*
- 29 *should be required to seek funding through a*
- 30 *competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) proc-*
- 31 *ess. The allocation for a county welfare depart-*
- 32 *ment shall be determined by the Department of*
- 33 *Social Services and shall be based on the coun-*
- 34 *ty's percentage of refugees in the state receiving*
- 35 *cash assistance funded through the Refugee Re-*
- 36 *settlement Program. In the event that a county*
- 37 *welfare department does not expend its entire*
- 38 *allocation, the Department of Social Services*
- 39 *may reallocate unexpended funds to other*
- 40 *county welfare departments.*

41 *The top priority for the use of federal fiscal*

42 *year 1982 and 1983 funds which remain after the*

43 *allocation to county welfare departments shall*

44 *be to provide: (1) English as a second language,*

45 *including short-term, intensive, survival, and*

46 *employment-oriented instruction; and (2) em-*

47 *ployment services, including World-of-Work*

48 *orientation assessment, job counseling, job de-*

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2 velopment, placement, follow-up, short-term
3 counseling and information and referral. The
4 next priority shall be health assessing services
5 including information and referral, assistance in
6 scheduling appointments and obtaining serv-
7 ices, and translation and interpreter services.

8 Other services may be provided at the pro-
9 vider's option to the extent funds exist. The goal
10 of employment, training, and English-as-a-Sec-
11 ond-Language and other services is to help as
12 many refugees as possible to achieve economic
13 self-sufficiency in the shortest period of time.

14 First priority for employment services, train-
15 ing, and English-as-a-Second-Language shall be
16 given to employable adult refugees who contin-
17 ue or are likely to receive cash assistance. Within
18 this priority group, preference shall be given to
19 refugees who have the highest potential for be-
20 coming self-supporting or those in greatest
21 need. Special consideration shall be given first to
22 refugees who have been in the country for less
23 than 36 months but who are no longer eligible to
24 receive Refugee Cash Assistance as a result of
25 the 18-month time limitation, second to refugees
26 who are time-expired, and third to refugees who
27 are closest to becoming time-expired. Time-ex-
28 pired shall be defined as refugees for whom fed-
29 eral reimbursement is not available under the
30 Refugee Resettlement Program.

31 The Office of Refugee Services shall request
32 the Board of Supervisors in the impacted coun-
33 ties to develop a county plan delineating the mix
34 and prioritization of services and an identifica-
35 tion of the percentage of funds that should be
36 allocated for each service (not including Title
37 XX). At the board's discretion, the development
38 of the plan may be delegated to the county wel-
39 fare department, the forum, or another organi-
40 zation. The boards shall be requested to consult
41 with the local forum, national voluntary resettle-
42 ment agencies (VCIAGs), current service pro-
43 viders, refugee mutual assistance associations,
44 and other organizations involved in refugee re-
45 settlement in the development of the plan. The
46 boards shall be required to describe the consul-
47 tation process they used and requested to sub-
48 mit letters from local organizations verifying

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- 3 *this process. The Office of Refugee Services shall*
- 4 *review each county plan for technical compli-*
- 5 *ance. A RFP shall be issued by Office of Refugee*
- 6 *Services (ORS) with the requirement that ev-*
- 7 *ery proposal must comply with the county plan.*
- 8 *ORS shall fund the most competitive proposals*
- 9 *(with preference given to those who have*
- 10 *demonstrated the ability to provide accessible*
- 11 *and cost-effective services) for a 12-month con-*
- 12 *tract or longer, if possible. Boards of supervisors,*
- 13 *county welfare departments, and other public*
- 14 *agencies at the state or local levels shall not be*
- 15 *prohibited from submitting proposals to ORS in*
- 16 *response to the RFP for each region.*
- 17 *No funds appropriated for refugee social serv-*
- 18 *ices shall be expended for contracts with the*
- 19 *Employment Development Department.*
- 20 *No funds appropriated for social services may*
- 21 *be expended for planning purposes.*
- 22 *Twenty-five percent of the workload of the*
- 23 *program consultants in the Office of Refugee*
- 24 *Services shall be utilized to provide technical*
- 25 *assistance to the counties for assistance in county*
- 26 *plan development.*
- 27 *The allocation of funds among geographic re-*
- 28 *gions for the provision of refugee support serv-*
- 29 *ices, other than Title XX-type social services,*
- 30 *shall be based on the percentage of refugees in*
- 31 *the state receiving cash assistance funded*
- 32 *through the Refugee Resettlement Program*
- 33 *who live in each of the regions.*
- 34 *The Department of Social Services shall col-*
- 35 *lect appropriate data in order to revise their*
- 36 *allocation formula for the 1983-84 budget with*
- 37 *the goal of providing an incentive-based for-*
- 38 *mula for future distribution of social services*
- 39 *funds. This data shall include information on pri-*
- 40 *mary vs. secondary refugees among those re-*
- 41 *ceiving cash assistance funded through the Ref-*
- 42 *ugee Resettlement Program. The Department*
- 43 *of Social Services shall contract with the United*
- 44 *Way Agency in Orange County for the provision*
- 45 *of social services utilizing the county's alloca-*
- 46 *tion, excepting those funds allocated to the*
- 47 *county welfare department. This block grant*
- 48 *shall provide for local determination of services*
- and target population priorities, except as pre-*

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cluded by federal law. The Department of Social Services shall monitor and evaluate this block grant and support the provision of local determination of services within Orange County.	
5180-161-001—For local assistance, Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing, Program 30	7,540,903
	8,383,189
Provisions:	
1. The Director of Finance may authorize the transfer of amounts from this Item to Item 5180-001-001, Program 30, Community Care Licensing, in order to allow the state to perform the facilities evaluation function in the event the counties fail to perform such function.	
2. Provision 2 of Item 5180-181-001 is also applicable to this item.	
5180-181-001—For local assistance, Department of Social Services, Cost of Living Increases, to be transferred to and in augmentation of programs, upon approval of the Department of Finance, effective July 1, 1982, in accordance with the following schedule	0
	95,306,000
Schedule:	
(a) AFDC (for transfer to Item 5180-101-001)	0
(b) SSI/SSP (for transfer to Item 5180-111-001)	0
	95,306,000
(c) County Administration (for transfer to Item 5180-141-001)	0
(d) Social Services (for transfer to Item 5180-151-001)	0
(e) Community Care Licensing (for transfer to Item 5180-161-001)	0
Provisions:	
1. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, no General Fund money appropriated by Items 5180-141-001, 5180-141-866 , or 5180-181-001; or 5180-181-866 for Program 10.20, County Administration, shall be used to provide a cost-of-living increase to any county welfare department for personal, and nonpersonal services, which exceeds the percentage increase authorized by the Legislature for all counties in this act for the 1982-83 fiscal year. However, a county	